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Fanatics Go With SRO

Neal Ford and the Fanatics, winners of The Post's Big Three Contest, will be regulars on the new Channel 39 TV show which debuts in color at 1 PM Sunday. Good Guy Joe Ford will be MC and the name of the show is "SRO." Joe cut his eye last week on (of all things) the tear-off paper on an automatic camera. Hope he'll have his eyepatch off by showtime. The Runaways and the Mandrakes will be among the other guests.

Welcome to Houston's Rock Scene: KILT's Mack Hudson and KNUZ's Dave Jordan and Jim Hunter.

Sorry I missed the Beatles on Hollywood Palace last week. I'm told their film of "Strawberry Fields" was beautiful... especially in color.

The Monkees are definitely coming to Houston in late summer. Prepare to pay a good price for your tickets. They grossed \$90,000 for one night in Toronto recently. Not bad for a night's work, huh? I'll let you know later when they are coming. Right now, it's a big secret.

Wonder why Steve Lundy always orders 20 courses at Danny's?

The Byrds' new LP is out. They're in England

That fellow with the tambourine above is Mitch Ryder. Mitch and his Detroit Wheels headline a big show at the Music Hall Wednesday. The only local group appearing at the show will be the Surf Knights, the group pictured below.



Top 10 Albums

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- 1) "More Of The Monkees"
- 2) "The Monkees"
- 3) "S.R.O." by Herb Alpert
- 4) "Dr Zhivago" Soundtrack
- 5) "Between The Buttons" by The Rolling Stones
- 6) "Sound of Music" Soundtrack
- 7) "The Supremes Sing Holland Dozier Holland"
- 8) "The Temptations Greatest Hits"
- 9) "That's Life" by Frank Sinatra
- 10) "Spirit of '67" by Paul Revere & Raiders

right now. Those girls screaming in the background on "So You Want to Be a Rock and Roll Star" are British girls from a 1965 Byrds' concert in England. After they get back to the States, they'll start on a movie.

The Proper Circle called last week to invite me over to the Catacombs to hear their version of "Sweet Thang." Sorry I missed it, guys, but the flu kept me home.

I also missed The Knack. I wanted to see them because they've got to have something going for them in person. Capitol is spending a fortune on their promotion and expects them to be the new Beatles. I don't think there'll be any new Beatles, but I'd like to have seen them anyway.

Donovan has done it again with his new album. Listening to a new Donovan album is like being a child on an Easter egg hunt for me. I can't wait to hear what his next song will be... and I'm seldom disappointed. He always makes a song "special" whether with lyrics or melody or arrangement. Donovan's "Mellow Yellow" LP is highly recommended.

Did you know Charlie Chaplin wrote "This Is My Song" by Pet Clark? When he writes a song, he writes a standard. Don't forget, he wrote "Smile" and "Terry's Theme" from Limelight.

The world is waiting for Brian Wilson again. Seems everything is finished on the new Beach Boy album but one band and Brian can't get it finished the way he wants it. Hope it's out by the time they arrive March 25.

Don't miss the Mitch Ryder Show Wednesday.

The young men standing on the bank above are the Left Banke. They'll be performing at the Music Hall Wednesday along with other name recording stars.

Lots of requests for "Scott's Sneak Song." Larry Kane keeps saying you can order it from me, but don't believe it. He's teasing. It isn't on record yet, though it may get out someday with a new lyric. Hang whatsisname!

SCOTT'S SNEAK: Watch for it on the Larry Kane Show and the Chuck Dunaway Show.

(This is one I first mentioned quite a while back, but it's starting to catch on now as a dance craze, so let's give 'er another try.)

"Bend It" by Dave Dee, Dozy Beaky, Mick and Tich (Fontana).

BEST NEWSOUNDS: "Looking at a Baby" by the Collectors (Valiant); "Something Stupid" by Frank and Nancy Sinatra (Reprise); "Come Back Home" by Houston's Charley Romans (Hickory); "Gaslight" by Don Meehan (Epic); "Who Do You Love" by the Woolies (Dunhill); "Tell Me To My Face" by Keith (Mercury).

calendar

COLISEUM—Don Robey presents The James Brown Show, Sunday.

MUSIC HALL—Houston Ticket Service presents Mitch Ryder, Tommy Roe, The Left Banke, Jimmy Clanton, The Chicago Loop, Syndicate of Sound and The Surf Knights, Wednesday.

LIVING EYE—Friday: The Sherwoods and T.H.A.T. (Girls 50 cents every Friday). Saturday: Syndicate of Sound.

THE VAULT—(New Pasadena Teen Club) The Fever Tree, Friday, 200 West Shaw.

THE CATACOMBS—Friday and Saturday, The Seeds. MUSIC HALL—BEACH BOYS, Buckingham, Casino, Neal Ford & The Fanatics, presented by American Productions in co-operation with KNUZ, March 25.

BELLAIRE CITY GYM—The Glass Kars, Saturday.